

REMARKS

This is a full and timely response to the outstanding final Office Action mailed May 1, 2007. Claims 1-5, 9, 13, and 16 are pending in the present application. Reconsideration and allowance of the application and pending claims are respectfully requested.

1. Indication of Allowable Subject Matter

Applicants greatly appreciate the Examiner's statement in the outstanding Office Action in which claims 1-5, 9, 13, and 16 have been indicated as being allowable.

In that it is believed that every rejection has been overcome, it is respectfully submitted that each of the claims that remains in the case is presently in condition for allowance.

2. Cancellation of Claims 6-7, 15, and 17

Claims 6-7, 15, and 17 are canceled without prejudice, waiver, or disclaimer, and therefore, the rejection to the claims are rendered moot. Applicants take this action merely to reduce the number of disputed issues and to facilitate early allowance and issuance of other claims in the present application. Applicants reserve the right to pursue the subject matter of the canceled claims in a continuing application, if Applicants so choose, and do not intend to dedicate any of the canceled subject matter to the public.

CONCLUSION

For at least the reasons set forth above, Applicants respectfully submit that all objections and/or rejections have been traversed, rendered moot, and/or accommodated, and that the pending claims are in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and allowance of the present application and all pending claims are hereby courteously requested. If, in the opinion of the Examiner, a telephonic conference would expedite the examination of this matter, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned agent at (770) 933-9500.

Respectfully submitted,


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